

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
SAN FRANCISCO BAY REGION

ORDER NO. 77-1

NPDES NO. CA0028258

WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS FOR:

MATHESON GAS PRODUCTS
DIVISION OF WILL ROSS, INC.
NEWARK, ALAMEDA COUNTY

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Francisco Bay Region, hereinafter called the Board, finds that:

1. Matheson Gas Products, Division of Will Ross, Inc., Newark, hereinafter called the discharger, by application dated November 9, 1976, has applied for waste discharge requirements and a permit to discharge wastes under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System.
2. The discharger presently discharges a maximum of 1,400 gallons per day of non-contact cooling water into a storm sewer which flows into San Francisco Bay, a water of the United States.
3. The discharge is a "minor discharge" as defined in Section 2235(e) of Chapter 3, Title 23 of the California Administrative Code, and is not of a category for which effluent limitations, standards of performance, or toxic and pretreatment effluent standards have been promulgated pursuant to Sections 301, 302, 306, and 307 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act.
4. The Board has notified the discharger and interested agencies and persons of its intent to prescribe waste discharge requirements for the discharge, and has provided them with an opportunity for a public hearing and an opportunity to submit their written views and recommendations.
5. The Board in a public meeting heard and considered all comments pertaining to the discharge.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, Matheson Gas Products, Division of Will Ross, Inc., pursuant to the provisions of Division 7 of the California Water Code and regulations adopted thereunder, and to the provisions of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act as amended and regulations and guidelines adopted thereunder, shall comply with the following:

A. Discharge Limitations

1. The discharge shall be limited to wastewater of the quantity and type described in the permit application.

2. The discharge or its treatment shall not cause a pollution or nuisance as defined in the California Water Code.
3. The discharge shall not cause a violation of any applicable water quality standard for receiving waters adopted by the Board or the State Water Resources Control Board as required by the Federal Water Pollution Control Act and regulations adopted thereunder. If more stringent applicable water quality standards are promulgated or approved pursuant to Section 303 of the FWPCA or amendments thereto, the Board may revise and modify this Order in accordance with such more stringent standards.

B. Provisions

1. This Order includes the attached "Standard Provisions."
2. Fail-safe containment measures shall be implemented in areas where caustics, brine solutions, and other chemicals are stored and handled, to prevent the discharge of spilled materials to waters of the State, by July 1, 1977, and the discharger submit a report to the Executive Officer on such measures by July 15, 1976.
3. This Order expires on January 1, 1982. The discharger must file a Report of Waste Discharge in accordance with Title 23, Chapter 3, Subchapter 9 of the California Administrative Code, not later than 180 days in advance of such expiration date as application for issuance of new waste discharge requirements.
4. The discharger may be required to furnish technical or monitoring reports as directed by the Executive Officer.
5. The discharger shall file with the Board a report of waste discharge at least 120 days before making any material change in the character, location, or volume of the discharge.

I, Fred H. Dierker, Executive Officer, do hereby certify the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of an Order adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Francisco Bay Region, on January 18, 1977.

This Order shall serve as a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit pursuant to Section 402 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, or amendments thereto, and shall take effect at the end of ten days from date of hearing provided the Regional Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, has no objections.

FRED H. DIERKER
Executive Officer

Attachment:

Standard Provisions for Minor Discharges 10/15/75

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STANDARD PROVISIONS
FOR MINOR DISCHARGES

OCTOBER 15, 1975

1. The discharger shall permit the Regional Board:
 - (a) Entry upon premises in which an effluent source is located or in which any required records are kept;
 - (b) Access at reasonable times to copy any records required to be kept under terms and conditions of this Order;
 - (c) Inspection at reasonable times of monitoring equipment or records; and
 - (d) Sampling at reasonable times of any discharge.
2. All discharges authorized by this Order shall be consistent with the terms and conditions of this Order. The discharge of any pollutant more frequently than or at a level in excess of that identified and authorized by this Order shall constitute a violation of the terms and conditions of this Order.
3. The discharger shall maintain in good working order and operate as efficiently as possible any facility or control system installed by the discharger to achieve compliance with the waste discharge requirements.
4. After notice and opportunity for a hearing, this Order may be terminated or modified for cause, including, but not limited to:
 - (a) Violation of any term or condition contained in this Order;
 - (b) Obtaining this Order by misrepresentation or failure to disclose fully all relevant facts;
 - (c) A change in any condition that requires either a temporary or permanent reduction or elimination of the authorized discharge.
5. If a toxic effluent standard or prohibition (including any schedule of compliance specified in such effluent standard or prohibition) is established under Section 307(a) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, or amendments thereto, for a toxic pollutant which is present in the discharge authorized herein and such standard or prohibition is more stringent than any limitation upon such pollutant in this Order, the Board will revise or modify this Order in accordance with such toxic effluent standard or prohibition and so notify the discharger.
6. In the event of any change in control or ownership of land or waste discharge facilities presently owned or controlled by the discharger, the discharger shall notify the succeeding owner or operator of the existence of this Order by a letter, a copy of which shall be forwarded to the Board.